Public Workshop Information Package

December 4, 1995





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Interested Individuals and Organizations

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Subject: Workshop to Assembly Alternatives for Bay-Delta Solutions

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program's effort to develop a long-term, coordinated solution for the Bay-Delta system is on schedule. Since August, three public workshops have been conducted, and the results provide a solid framework for the next step in the solution-finding process. Workshop participants helped identify the problems of the Bay-Delta, establish objectives for solving the problems, and develop the actions necessary to solve the problems and achieve the objectives. This information has allowed us to put together a comprehensive picture of the issues facing the Bay-Delta system--and will help us in developing a lasting solution.

Please join us for our fourth workshop on December 4, 1995. This workshop is entitled **Assembling Alternatives**, and focuses on the process that will be used to develop alternatives. The workshop is scheduled for Monday, December 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Beverly Garland Hotel in Sacramento (see enclosed map for directions).

Assembling alternatives begins a critical phase in the solution-finding process. Alternatives will be assembled, evaluated, and refined through the remainder of Phase 1 of our process, resulting in a short list that will be carried over into the Phase 2 EIS/EIR process.

A key to maintaining a successful cooperative effort is ensuring that all participants understand and are involved in the process. This packet provides a summary description of the process and several supporting appendices that will help you participate and give us constructive comments. We recognize that you may not have time to read all the extensive background and detail in the appendices, so we have prepared a summary description of the complex solution finding process to help you become familiar with the method we have devised. **Please review this six-page summary carefully before the workshop.**

These workshops are vital to our goal of developing a lasting, collaborative solution to managing the Bay-Delta system. Your continued commitment to and participation in this unprecedented effort is appreciated. If you cannot attend our workshop, please send us any comments you may have on these materials by December 8. We look forward to your participation.

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